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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: GREEK DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

REF: ATHENS 2062

1. DURING FAREWELL COURTESY CALL AMB DEMETRE VELISSAROPOULOS ADVISED THAT HIS EXPECTED APPOINTMENT TO REPRESENT GREECE AT UN NY HAD FALLEN THROUGH AND HE WAS RETURNING TO ATHENS AND EXPECTED TO ASSUME POST OF DIRECTOR OF CYPRUS-TURKISH AFFAIRS.
2. VELISSAROPOULOS IS EXPERIENCED CAREER DIPLOMAT BUT MORE OUTSPOKEN THAN MIGHT BE EXPECTED. BEFORE COMING TO GENEVA HE PREPARED POSITION PAPERS ON CYPRUS-TURKISH AFFAIRS CALLING FOR DIRECT GREEK-TURKISH NEGOTIATIONS ON CYPRUS. VELISSAROPOULOS SAYS HIS VIEWS WERE SO DEFINITE HE WAS SENT TO GENEVA RATHER THAN TO THE CYPRUS-TURKISH DESK WHICH THEN ASSIGNED TO METAXAS. VELISSAROPOULOS IS STRONG SUPPORTER OF US IN GREECE, GENERALLY CONSERVATIVE, EASILY APPROACHEABLE, ALWAYS WELL PREPARED. RELATIONSHIPS WITH US MISSION IN GENEVA WERE CLOSEST.
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